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METHOD AND DEVICE FOR APPLYING A  
TEXTILE AUXILIARY DURING THE STITCH-  
BONDING OF GEOTEXTILES INVOLVING A  
HYDRODYNAMIC STITCH-BONDING PROCESS

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Respectfully submitted,

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